to helping those in need. I commend the men and women of USAR Team 1 on their heroic efforts, mourn for those who lost their lives and pray for those awaiting aid.

SALUTING THE ATHLETES OF THE 2010 WINTER GAMES OF TEXAS

HON. SAM JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, January 13, 2010

Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the outstanding athletes of the fifth annual Winter Games of Texas.

This multi-sport youth athletic event is patterned after the international Olympic Games and presented by The Texas Amateur Athletic Federation, a nonprofit organization established in 1925 to promote, organize and conduct amateur athletics in Texas.

The sports festival serves as an excellent showcase of the talented young athletes of Texas. More than 4,500 young people will participate in this year's competition.

An exciting Celebration of Athletes program will be held, featuring games, live entertainment, professional athletes, and past Olympic heroes.

Fourteen different sporting events are included in the contest this year: soccer, basketball, table tennis, wrestling, cheerleading, swimming, flag football, ice hockey, figure skating, volleyball, fencing, bowling, rock climbing, karate, and gymnastics.

I commend each of the athletes who will be competing in these sports. Their hard work, dedication and passion will serve them well in all aspects of life.

I would also like to thank the City of Frisco, including their fine leader, Mayor Maher Maso, the Texas Amateur Athletic Federation, and all the volunteers throughout this city and state who have expended their time and energy to prepare for this great event.

I wish all participants and volunteers an enjoyable and successful tournament.

Let the games begin!

IN HONOR AND REMEMBRANCE OF RICHARD J. ZUNT

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES $Wednesday,\ January\ 13,\ 2010$

Mr. KUCINICH. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor and remembrance of Mr. Richard J. "Dick" Zunt, dedicated father, uncle, journalist and friend, whose amazing life reflected love for family, community and journalistic excellence. As a high school sports beat reporter, he consistently captured the energy, action and emotion of games played throughout Greater Cleveland. From amazing triumphs, to shocking defeats, to predictable endings, Mr. Zunt's reporting was always accurate, compassionate, and respectful—and held the interest and imagination of tens of thousands of readers.

Though a talented reporter, it was Mr. Zunt's kind demeanor, great sense of humor and generous heart that drew others to him.

He lived his life by the Golden Rule, reaching out to help wherever needed. He grew up in Cleveland, instilled with values of hard work, service to community and an unmistakable jov for life. A talented athlete himself, Mr. Zunt ran track at St. Ignatius High School, graduating in 1950. As a student reporter at John Carroll University, Mr. Zunt began honing his journalistic skills as a reporter for the university paper, the "Carroll News." He graduated from John Carroll in 1955, then served two years in the United States Navy. In 1957, following his military service, Mr. Zunt joined The Plain Dealer, where he worked as a sports reporter. with an emphasis on high school sports, until his retirement in 2001.

Throughout his tenure at The Plain Dealer. Mr. Zunt made countless friends, many of whom remained close friends throughout his life. His honest approach, unwavering integrity and caring nature forged life-long bonds of trust, friendship and admiration with coaches, players, school administrators and colleagues. He was very active in the community, serving on several community, press and educational boards-and was an active alumnus of St. Ignatius High School. Though not impressed with awards and accolades, Mr. Zunt's many achievements were publicly recognized. He was inducted to the St. Ignatius Hall of Fame, the Greater Cleveland Softball Hall of Fame, and the Cleveland Press Club Hall of Fame.

Madam Speaker, please join me in honor and remembrance of Mr. Richard J. "Dick" Zunt, whose love for family and friends, service to community and joy for living will be remembered always. I offer my deepest condolences to his loving children, Mary "Cal," Monica. Sarah. and Richard J. Jr.: to his daughters-in-law, Brooke and Ethel; to his sons-in-law, Mike and Ruben; to his brothers, J. Raymond and Robert; to his sister Mary; to his dear companion, Doris; and to all his extended family members and numerous friends. Mr. Zunt's life—defined by kindness, joy, talent and a compassionate heart-will forever live in the minds and hearts of his family, friends and all whom knew and loved him well-and he will never be forgotten.

A TRIBUTE TO KAREN ANDE AND RUTHANN RICHTER

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 13, 2010

Ms. ESHOO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to two Bay Area women, Karen Ande and Ruth Richter, and their compelling book Face to Face, Children of the AIDS Crisis in Africa.

This very special work was conceived after Karen Ande and Ruthann Richter travelled to Africa in 2004. They were devastated by the plight of children living under staggeringly brutal conditions, often without food, education or a stable, caring adult in their lives. Many of the children had watched their parents die and then had to cope with the consequences of living alone or with little support. They resolved to bring the issue to light and their book is the vehicle they chose to accomplish this goal.

The following words in praise of the book by Philip Pizzo, M.D., Dean of the Stanford University School of Medicine, a specialist in pediatric AIDS and one of the 14th Congressional District's most distinguished and effective leaders, are an eloquent statement about the book and its subject.

"Ruthann Richter and Karen Ande have given a new voice and face to this pandemic, which continues to destroy the hopes, dreams and lives of children. Through compelling and poignantly informed stories and narratives and incredibly sensitive and touching portraits of children, families, providers and communities, Richter and Ande remind us, in a deeply personal way, how important HIV remains in Africa and beyond."

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Karen Ande and Ruthann Richter for their extraordinary work and their efforts to bring to our attention the continuing ravages of the AIDS virus on the children of Africa.

GOVERNOR ALBERT ROSELLINI

HON. DAVID G. REICHERT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, January 13, 2010

Mr. REICHERT. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of Governor Albert Rosellini, who will celebrate his 100th birthday on January 21, 2010. Gov. Rosellini was elected to the Washington State Senate in 1938, and served honorably as Washington State's governor from 1957 to 1965. Ultimately, this man has always worked as a servant and leader for his family, community and State.

As a 29-year-old law school graduate from Tacoma, Washington, Governor Rosellini began his career early, serving in the Washington State Senate in 1938 and championing issues ranging from forward-looking transportation policy to juvenile justice. He was an advocate for working families and never missed an opportunity to improve the lives of his constituents. Later, as Governor, Rosellini played an important role in starting one of our nation's finest medical schools at the University of Washington. He also helped create the Evergreen Point Floating Bridge—a bridge that now bears his name. The type of leadership that helped build the Floating Bridge is typical of Gov. Rosellini: visionary and decisive.

Additionally, Governor Rosellini's ascension to the Governorship of Washington was a seminal moment in the illustrious history of Roman Catholic Italian-Americans and he remains a leader in that community to this day.

A Seattle columnist wrote in 2005 that Governor Rosellini "makes most governors after him look like slackers." Madam Speaker, Gov. Rosellini served Washington with a steely determination, with the cares, concerns, and best interest of all Washingtonians in his mind and heart at all times. It is my distinct honor to recognize him and his countless contributions to the great state of Washington, and to challenge us all to aspire to serve in the same way he has throughout his distinguished life and career.

Along with this House, I wish Mr. Rosellini a happy 100th birthday and thank him for his dedicated public service.